

AGUA HEDIONDA LAGOON  
*CAULERPA TAXIFOLIA* ERADICATION PROGRAM  
*SPRING 2003 REPORT*  
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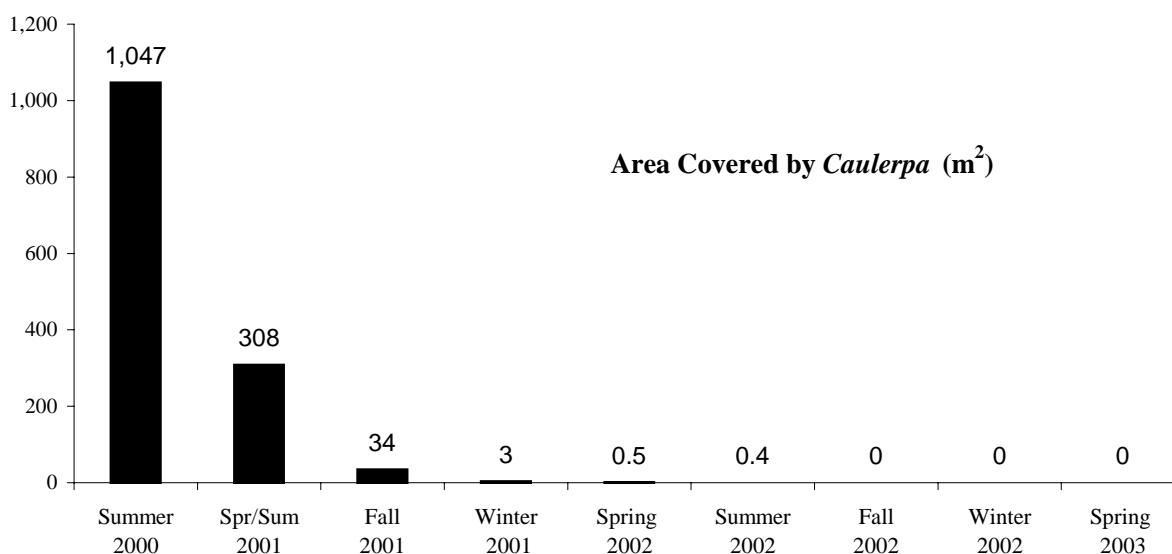


**Historical Distribution of *Caulerpa taxifolia* in Agua Hedionda**

Cumulative distribution of *Caulerpa taxifolia* from June 2000-June 2003. *Caulerpa* has not been found in the west or central basins of the lagoon during this eradication effort.

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**Spring 2003 Update**



During the Spring 2003 survey, no *Caulerpa* was found. Under conditions found in Agua Hedionda Lagoon during spring, *Caulerpa* is expected to have died back or be growing very slowly. Therefore, in order to conserve resources, the survey was limited to areas where *Caulerpa* had been previously found. Full surveys will be conducted in Summer and Fall 2003.